

Utah Campaign Finance Disclosure Deadlines

Including provisions passed during the 2008 General Session -- Revised April 7, 2008

- **S.B. 21 Campaign Finance Disclosure Revisions**, which made several changes making deadlines more uniform (effective Feb. 29, 2008);
- **H.B. 29 Election Law - Financial Reporting**, which requires the lieutenant governor or the municipal or county clerk to post each campaign finance disclosure statement on the internet (effective May 5, 2008); and
- **H.B. 238 Campaign Finance Filing Requirements**, which requires strict compliance of filing deadlines for financial disclosure reports (effective Feb. 28, 2008).

This table summarizes key campaign finance disclosure deadline provisions.

| Candidate / Entity | Interim Financial Disclosure Statements | Year-end Financial Disclosure Statement January 10th | Penalties for Filing Late or Not Filing | Notice / Notes |
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| Legislative Candidate 20A-11, Part 3 | Every candidate that files a declaration of candidacy must file a financial statement on the following dates during the election cycle: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Seven days before the candidate's political convention 2. Seven days before the regular primary (Due on Jun. 17 in 2008) 3. August 31 (Due on Sep. 2 in 2008) 4. Seven days before the regular general election (Due on Oct. 28 in 2008) | Must be filed on January 10 of each year until a statement of dissolution is filed (Section 20A-11-302) | Removal from ballot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If a candidate fails to file interim statement 2, 3, or 4 on time, the candidate is removed from the ballot and votes for the candidate are not counted Requirement to File/Correct Year-end Statement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The lieutenant governor notifies the candidate of the late or missing filing, or that a complaint has been filed claiming the filing is wrong The candidate has 14 days to file a statement or a corrected statement Failure to file after 14 days is a class B misdemeanor reported to the attorney general | Each disclosure statement is required whether or not the candidate is unopposed Notice The lieutenant governor gives each candidate 10-days notice of each statement that is due (Section 20A-11-103), except the notice for the interim statement due prior to the political convention, which is given at the time of filing a declaration of candidacy by the filing officer (Subsection 20A-9-201(4)(c)) |

(Section 20A-11-305)

| Candidate / Entity | Interim Financial Disclosure Statements (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-204) | Year-end Financial Disclosure Statement January 10th (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-203) | Penalties for Filing Late or Not Filing (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-206) (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-401) (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-403) |
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| State Office Candidate Gov., Lt. Gov., A.G., Auditor, and Treasurer 20A-11, Part 2 | | | |
| Officeholder (State officer, Legislator, state and local school board) 20A-11, Part 4 | None, unless a declaration of candidacy is filed in that year (See Section 20A-11-401) | (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-401) | Failure to file an interim statement is a class B misdemeanor (See Legislative Candidate for requirement to file/correct statements) (Section 20A-11-508) |
| Political Parties 20A-11, Part 5 | Required only in regular general election years (even numbered years) on the following dates: • August 31 (Due on Sep. 2 in 2008) • Seven days before the regular general election (Due on Oct. 28 in 2008) (Section 20A-11-507) | (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-506) | The lieutenant governor gives each reporting entity 10-days notice of each statement that is due (Section 20A-11-103) |

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| Political Action Committees (PACs) 20A-11, Part 6 | <p>Required only in years that the PAC receives at least \$750 or makes expenditures totaling at least \$50; and due on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 31 (Due on Sep. 2 in 2008) • Seven days before the regular general election (Due on Oct. 28 in 2008) <p>(Section 20A-11-602)</p> | <p>(See Legislative Candidate)</p> | <p>(Section 20A-11-601)</p> | <p>(See Political Parties) (Section 20A-11-603)</p> <p>Filing requirements apply to PACs for state, county, and municipal candidates (HB 29) (See Political Parties)</p> | <p>Expenditure threshold was changed from \$750 to \$50 in 2008</p> |

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| Political Issues Committees PICs 20A-11, Part 8 | Required only in years that the PIC receives at least \$750 or makes expenditures totaling at least \$50; and due on the following dates (including statements 3 and 4): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• seven days before the incorporation election, as applicable• three days before the first public hearing on an issue associated with the PIC• at the time the initiative or referendum packets associated with the PIC are submitted• August 31 (Due on Sep. 2 in 2008)• seven days before the regular general election (Due on Oct. 28 in 2008) (Section 20A-11-802) | (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-801) <i>(See Legislative Candidate for requirement to file/correct statements)</i> (Section 20A-11-803) | Failure to file an interim statement that is due on August 31 or seven days before the regular general election is a class B misdemeanor <i>(See Political Parties)</i> | Filing requirements apply to PICs for any ballot proposition, whether state or local (HB 29) Note that the lieutenant governor only provides notice of the August 31 report and the pre-general election report. |

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| Corporations 20A-11, Part 7 | <p>Required only in years that the corporation makes expenditures totaling at least \$750; and due on the following dates (statements 3 and 4):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 31 (Due on Sep. 2 in 2008) • Seven days before the regular general election (Due on Oct. 28 in 2008) | <p>Required on January 10 for years that the corporation makes expenditures totaling at least \$750 (Sections 20A-11-701 and 20A-11-702)</p> | <p>(See Political Parties) (Section 20A-11-703)</p> |
| State School Board Candidate 20A-11, Part 13 | <p>(See Legislative Candidate except that statement 1 must be filed by May 15 instead of seven days before a political convention)</p> | <p>(See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-1302)</p> | <p>(See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-1305)</p> |
| Local School Board Candidate 20A-11, Part 13 | <p>(See Legislative Candidate except that statement 1 is not required)</p> | <p>(See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-11-1303)</p> | <p>(See Legislative Candidate except that the county clerk provides the notices) (Section 20A-11-103)</p> |

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| Judicial Retention Candidate | Required only in regular general election years (even numbered years) on the date that is (statement 4): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • seven days before the regular general election (Oct. 28 in 2008) (20A-12-305) | Required on January 10 after the close of the regular general election year (Section 20A-12-304) | (See Legislative Candidate) (Section 20A-12-306) | (See Legislative Candidate) A judges retention election personal campaign committee, if established, is required to file the statements (Section 20A-12-302) |